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HE city of Port Arthur, with a present population of 14,000, occupies a commanding position at the head of Canadian lake navigation. The present prosperity and growth is due to several causes, among them being the location of the Canadian Northern Railway Lake Superior terminals here. We are the youngest city in Canada and are very proud of our position as the pioneer in municipal ownership and operation of our utilities, among them being our electric street railway with over nine miles of track. We own and operate our electric lighting system and develop our own power for it and for our street railway and waterworks pumping plant, and are able to furnish power to local industries, the cost to users being $20.00 per h. p. per annum for a 24-hour service. Our domestic light costs the consumer less than in any city in Canada. Our municipal telephone system has at present 1,000 domestic and business 'phones, which cost per year $12.00 and $24.00 respectively. Arrangements with the city of Fort William give subscribers an exchange of over 2,000 'phones, and this number will be increased during the present year to fully 2,400, as soon as new switch-boards, which are being installed, are completed. The city also owns and operates its own waterworks system, which is being rapidly extended.

These advantages and many others should, and do, make Port Arthur a very desirable place of residence, as all our franchises are yeilding a handsome surplus after providing for sinking fund and repairs, which surplus is applied to the reduction of taxation. In addition to these advantages the city has aquired and set aside a large tract of land for the location of manufacturing industries, which are sure to center here, as they will have the markets of

the great and growing west well within their grasp. There is not the least doubt that within 20 years the greater portion of the population of Canada will be west of the great lakes, so that from a manufacturing point of view this young city holds the key for those who are astute enough to take advantage of the situation and get on the ground while the conditions are most favorable for securing a foothold.

Among the manufacturing industries already established here are the Pigeon River Lumber Company and Vigars-Shear Company with an annual cut of 25,000,000 feet, which finds a ready market in the west. The handling of grain at this point is too well known to need elaborate comment. The British American Elevator Company handled during 1906-07 about 20,000,000 bushels of grain. The King Cleaning Elevator, for the special treatment of damaged and unmarketable grain, adds very materially to the total. The Canadian Northern Coal & Ore Dock Company has built at this point the most modern coal handling plant in Canada. The Atikokan Iron Company is another industry which will be of very material benefit to the city and district. Their blast furnace and coking plant has been erected during the past year at a cost of $1,000,000, the capacity of the furnace being 200 tons of pig iron daily.

This bald statement of facts can be substantiated by figures, which are more convincing than anything else. The City Clerk and Treasurer, Mr. James McTeigue, will be glad to furnish further information to any one interested.

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Post Office and Custom Building, Port Arthur

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Panoramic View of Port Arthur from the Water Front

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Panoramic View of Port Arthur, looking towards Lake Superior

Roman Catholic Separate School, Port Arthur

Central Public School, Port Arthur

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High School, Port Arthur

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Cumberland St. looking South from Arthur St., Port Arthur

Interior of Elevator, Loaded

Interior of Elevator, Partly Filled

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The British American Elevator

The largest elevator in the world, storage capacity 7,500,000 bushels, Port Arthur.

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Around the Wharves, Port Arthur Harbor

Roman Catholic Church, Port Arthur

Being replaced with a larger edifice this year, 1907.

Methodist Church, Port Arthur

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Presbyterian Church, Port Arthur

Church of England, Port Arthur

Forde Photo Dawson Avenue (Summer), Port Arthur

Forde Photo Dawson Avenue (Winter), Port Arthur

Blast Furnace, Port Arthur—Roasting Ovens, Hot Air Blast Stoves and Engine House

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Current River Cascades

Source of power for Port Arthur's utilities; a fall of 82 ft. from the dam to the lake level.

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Power House, Port Arthur

Electric Lighting, Street Railway and Waterworks extensions are being made, which will give another 1200 horse power.

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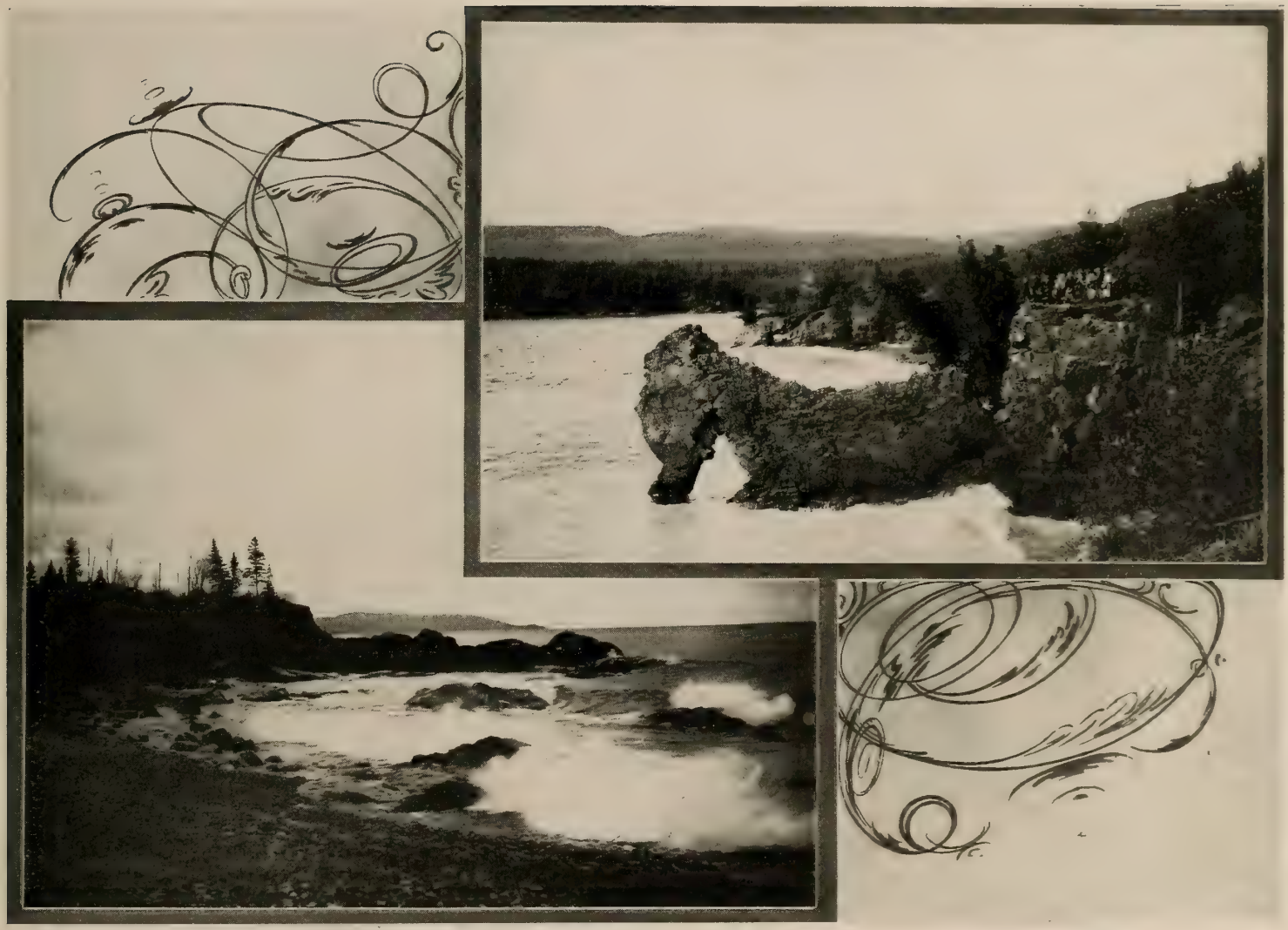
St. Joseph's General Hospital, Port Arthur

Lion's Head, Silver Islet, near Port Arthur



Forde Photo Lake Superior's Rock Bound Shore

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Arthur St. from Court St., looking East, Port Arthur

Blast Furnace and Roasting Ovens, Port Arthur

Forde Photo Coke Ovens Blast Furnace, Port Arthur

Virgin Falls, Nipigon River

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Island Portage, Nipigon River

Forde Photo Steamer "Wahcondah" after a Battle with Lake Superior

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In the Lumber Woods near Port Arthur

A Large Load of Pulp Wood, A Port Arthur Company's Operations

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Canadian Northern Station, Port Arthur

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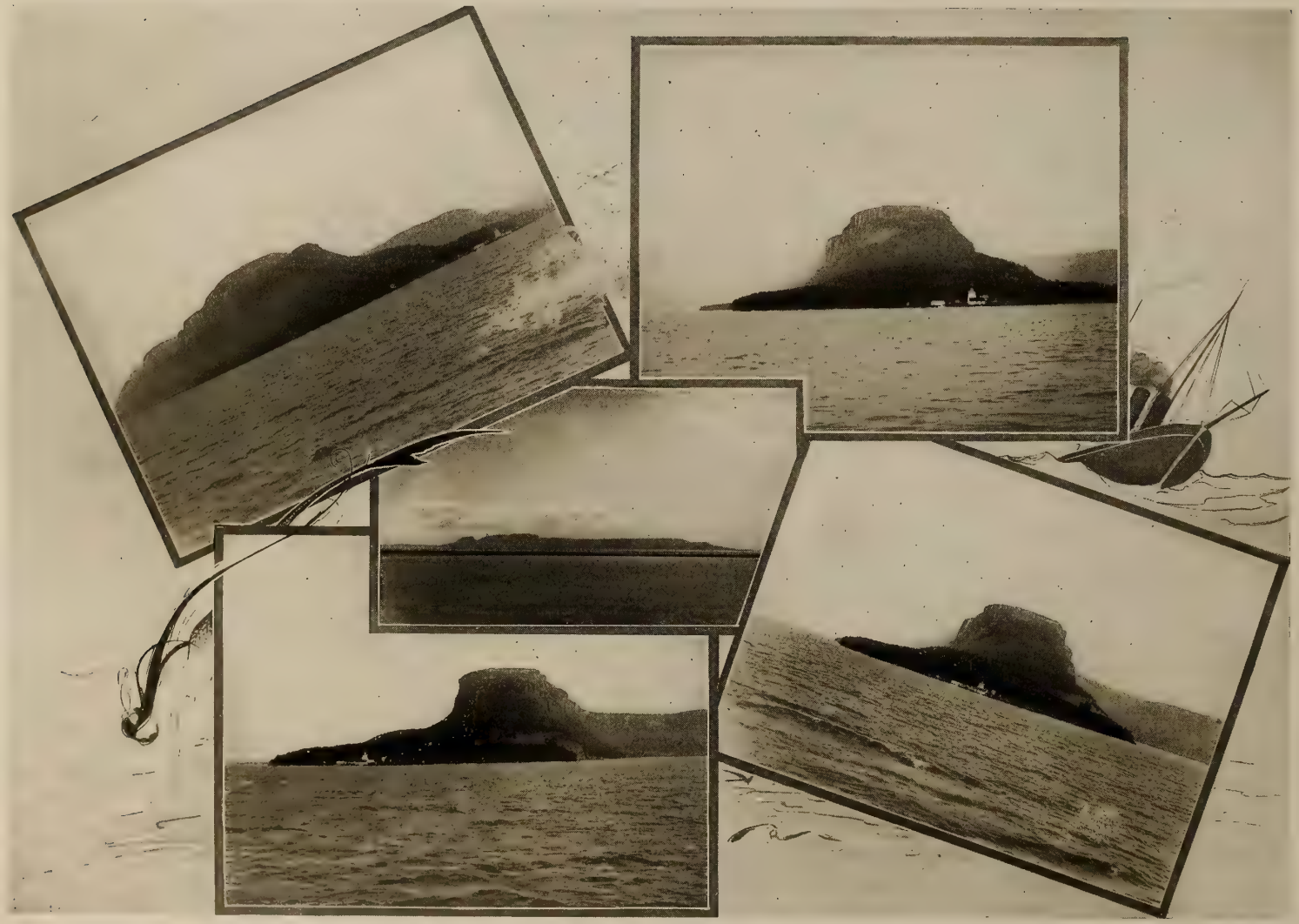
Passenger Steamer Calling at Port Arthur

A Passing View of Thunder Cape, 1370 ft. high, 16 Miles from Port Arthur



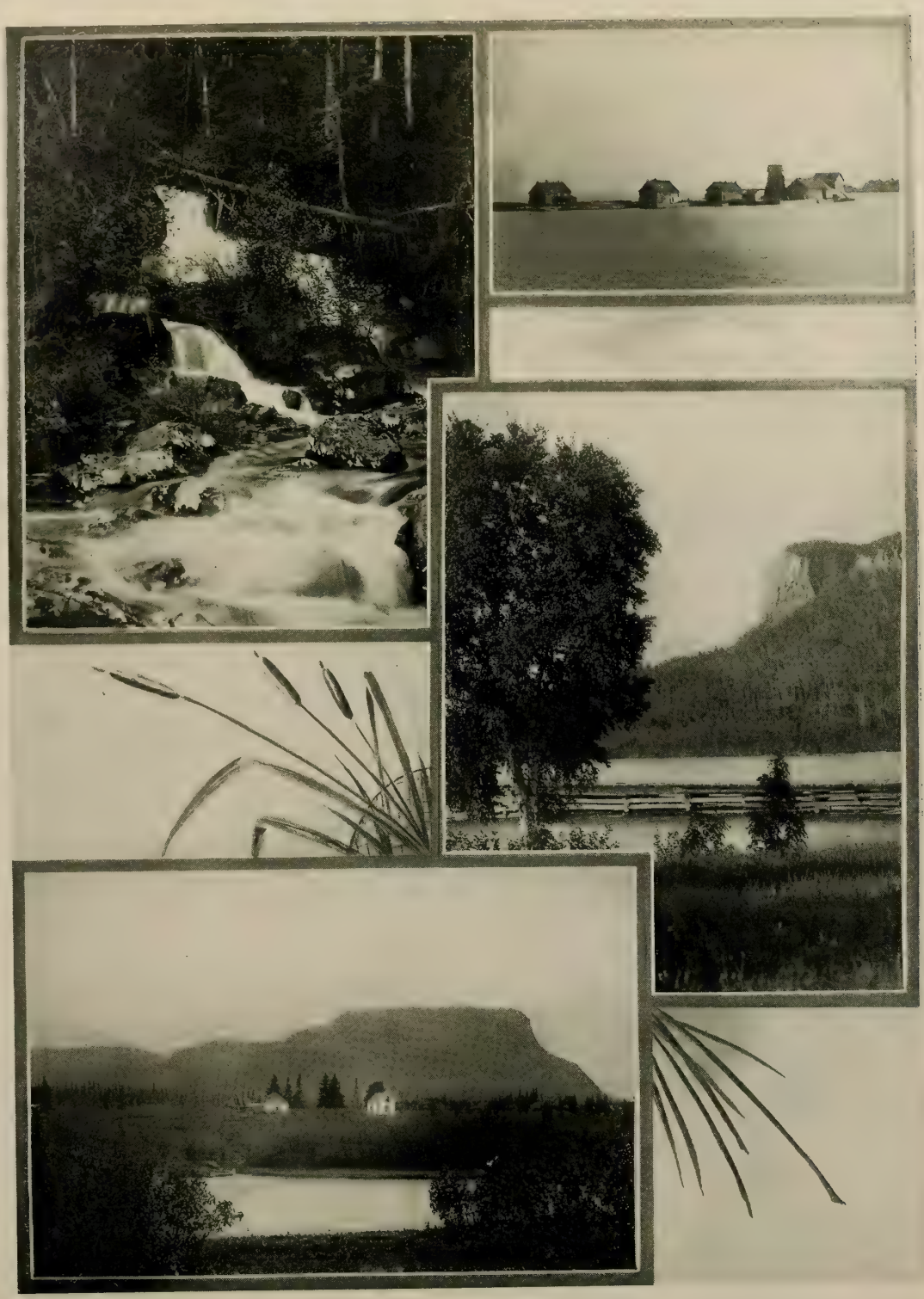
Forde Photo Thunder Cape, Sometimes Called the Sleeping Giant, as it appears from Port Arthur

At Pie Island, near Port Arthur

Forde Photo Moonlight on the Lake, Port Arthur Harbor

Woodland Waterfall, near Port Arthur

The Famous Silver Island on Lake Superior, 23 Miles from Port Arthur



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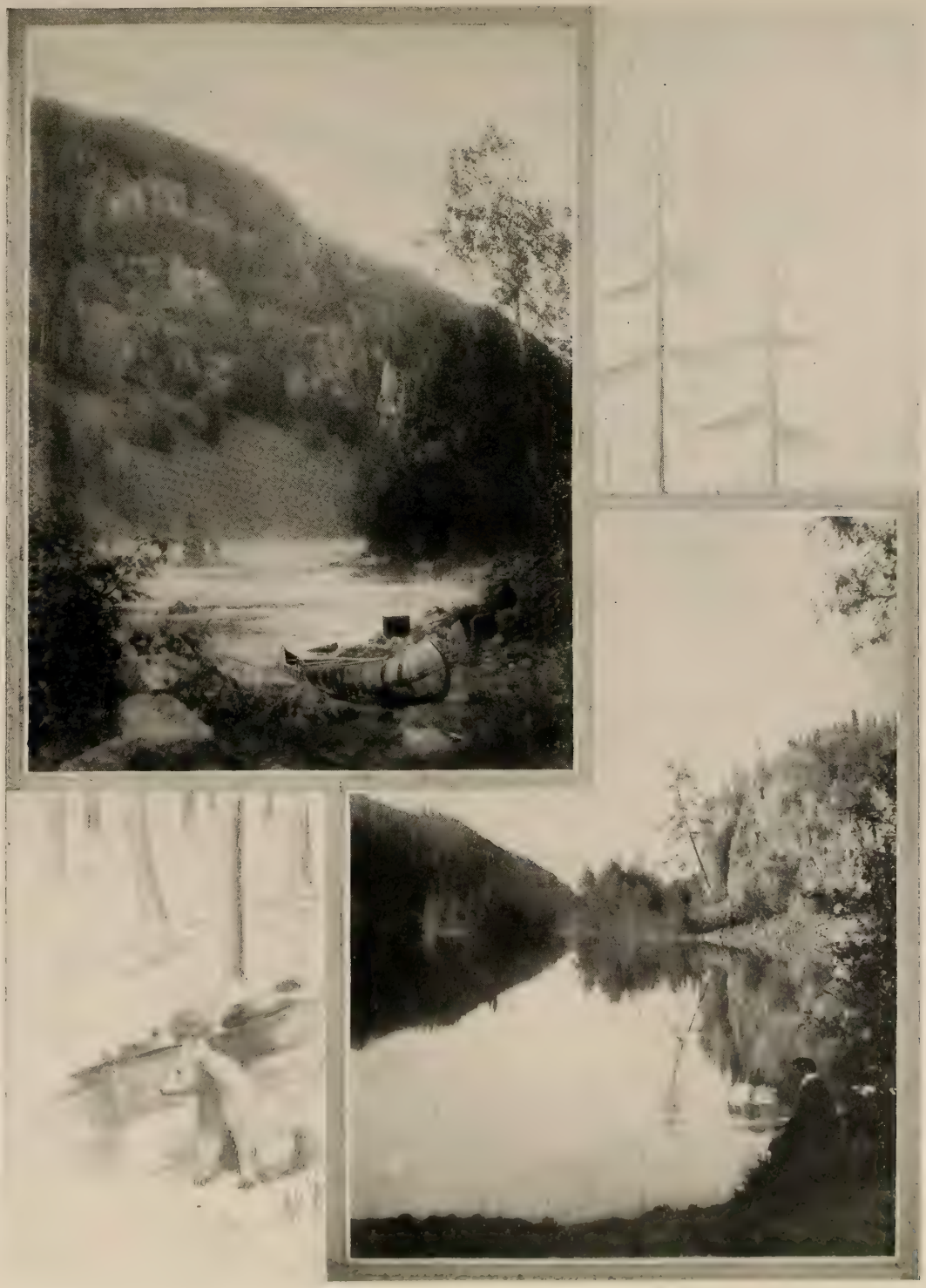
Mount Mackay, 1140 ft. high

At Pie Island, near Port Arthur

Down the River from Split Rock Portage, Nipigon River



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Looking up River from Split Rock Portage, Nipigon River

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Kakabeka Falls, 22 Miles from Port Arthur

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Mokoman Falls, Kaminissiqua River, 27 Miles from Port Arthur

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Steamers Wintering in Port Arthur Harbor

Partridge Hunting

A Canadian Moose

Fishing on the Nipigon River

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Duck Hunters' Camp at White Fish Lake

Steep Rock Lake, near Port Arthur

Seine River near Port Arthur

View on Seine River near Port Arthur

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Steep Rock Lake West of Port Arthur

Mouth of Nipigon River at Lake Superior

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Split Rock, Nipigon River

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A Port Arthur Steamer in Winter Dress

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Ice Breaking Tug James Whalen